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In re Application of

LUYTEN et al :

U.S. Application No.: 10/069,495 PCT No.: PCT/EP00/08182

Int. Filing Date: 21 August 2000 : DECISION

Priority Date: 24 August 1999

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This communication is in response to applicants' "Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.182" filed on 04 December 2003. This is treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181 to correct the filing receipt and is hereby **GRANTED** as follows.

A review of the above-captioned application reveals that the declaration filed 20 February 2002 was executed only by one of the three joint inventors. Nevertheless, a Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) was mailed by the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) on 12 June 2002 listing a date of receipt of 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(4) and a date of receipt of all 35 U.S.C. requirements of "02/20/2002."

However, applicants did not comply with 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4) because the declaration was not executed by all of the inventors. Accordingly, the Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) mailed 12 June 2002 is hereby **VACATED**.

In the instant papers filed 04 December 2003, applicants submitted a declaration executed by the two nonsigning joint inventors. A review of the declaration shows that it is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b).

The surcharge fee of \$130.00 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.492(e) has been charged to Deposit Account No. 10-0750 as authorized

Applicants have completed the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371(c). The application has an international filing date of 21 August 2000, under 35 U.S.C. 363 and a 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date of 04 December 2003.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Division of the Office of PCT Operations for continued processing.

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